Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Monday 20 Nov 2023 until 23:59 on Tuesday 21 Nov 2023

Forecast Issued on Sunday 19 Nov 2023 at 11:40 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for conditions becoming drier into Tuesday before rain returns to western Scotland Wednesday. Confidence becomes low from Thursday when conditions become unsettled, very windy and possibly wintry.

Headline for Monday 20 Nov 2023: Clear spells, early fog patches east otherwise overcast with periods of rain.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 20 Nov 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
40%	60%	50%	40%	40%	60%	60%	10%

Forecast for Monday 20 Nov 2023

Weather: Mainly dry with clear spells and fog patches over eastern ranges but cloudy with rain over western ranges overnight. Early fog will clear eastern ranges during the morning leaving bright spells. Western ranges will remain overcast with outbreaks of rain through the day. This rain spreads to eastern parts in the afternoon. Clear spells and dry conditions spread south from the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40% in the east in the morning, otherwise less than 20%.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud above 500-600m will linger throughout the day with the visibility moderate falling poor or very poor in cloud and rain.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	11/15 W	15/20 NW	17/22 NW	24/30 NW	29/38 N	28/38 N	27/36 N	20/27 N	13/17 N
900	11/15 W	14/19 NW	17/22 NW	22/29 NW	27/36 N	27/36 N	25/34 N	18/25 N	11/15 N
600	6/11 W	10/15 NW	11/16 NW	15/22 NW	20/29 N	20/30 N	18/27 N	11/18 N	7/11 NE
300	4/11 W	6/17 NW	5/17 NW	7/23 NW	10/31 N	8/30 N	7/26 N	3/18 N	2/11 N
Glen	4/9 N	6/12 NW	7/15 NW	12/24 NW	15/30 N	14/30 N	10/25 N	8/19 N	3/8 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	5/1	4/-1	4/-1	3/-2	3/-4	2/-5	0/-7	-0/-7	-1/-6
900	5/2	4/-0	4/0	4/-2	4/-3	2/-4	1/-6	0/-6	-1/-5
600	7/5	6/3	6/3	6/2	6/1	4/-1	4/-2	2/-2	2/-2
300	8/7	7/6	7/6	7/5	7/4	6/4	6/3	4/3	3/2
Glen	10/9	10/9	10/9	10/7	10/6	9/6	8/6	7/5	6/5
Freezing Level*	1900m	1800m	1700m	1600m	1500m	1300m	1100m	1000m	900m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Low cloud and rain will make navigation difficult while the strengthening wind will make conditions feel colder from the afternoon.

Forecast for Tuesday 21 Nov 2023
Weather: The day will remain dry with patchy low cloud together with a covering of cloud above the summits. Low cloud will spread east from the evening with increasing rain spreading east towards midnight.

Maximum wind: West 25-30mph gust 40mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70%

Low cloud and visibility: Any low cloud will be patchy at 900-1000m with the visibility good throughout the day.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 1 Celsius rising to plus 9 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 1 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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